

DOMINICAN AND VENEZUELAN FORCES

I. Gross Figures

<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Dominican Republic (est)</u>	<u>Venezuela</u>
Army Strength	15,000	14,500
Navy Strength	3,500	5,300 (in-
Air Strength	4,500 (includes	cludes 2400 marines)
National Guard	2900 in ground combat division)	2,800
(Security)	-----	6,000
National Police	3,000	-----
"Foreign Legion"	2,500	-----
TOTAL	28,500	28,600

II. Major Equipment

	<u>Dominican Republic</u>	<u>Venezuela</u>
Naval Vessels	1 Destroyer 8 Patrol Escorts 5 Sub Chasers 4 Amphibious Vessels	3 Destroyers 6 Destroyer Escorts 4 Amphibious (LSM) (Plus several Auxiliaries)
Aircraft	32 Vampire (jet) 37 F-51 48 AT6G 16 F47D (non-opnl) 5-10 B25 and 26 1 B17 8 Transport	(Plus consider- able coastal and ocean merchant ships) 14 Vampire (jet) 16 Venom (jet) 18 F86F (jet) 5 jet trainers 14 Canberra (jet) 14 B-25 111 other piston

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III. Notes.

- A. Venezuelan Air Force appears have greater offensive capability.
Dominican Air Force appears have poor maintenance.
1. Venezuelan AF: 3 Ftr Sqdns, 3 Bmr Sqdns, 1 Rcn Sqdn.
 2. Dominican AF: 1 Ftr-Bmr Gp, 1 Ftr Gp, 1 L Bmr Sqdn, 1 Tpt Sqdn.
- B. Venezuelan Army organized into:
- 1 Cav Regt
 - 17 BNS (10 Inf, 2 Arty, 2 Armd, 1 AAA, 1 MP, 1 Engr)
- C. Dominican Army fairly scattered, organized into:
- 5 Brigades (each of 1-3 Inf Regts size of US WWII Inf Bn)
 - 1 Arty Gp (11 Btrys w/ 75 mm guns and 105 mm Hws.
 - 1 Shock Bn (anti-landing)
 - Presidential Gd (small Inf Regt)
1. Most effective ground combat unit is Air Force (ground) Combat Div (2900) with Inf Regt, Arty Gp, Armed Bn and much new equipment.
 2. Foreign Legion mostly Dominicans, but some impressed Europeans and Mercenaries.